Welcome to the Fisher House Your Home Away from Home



About the Fisher House

During a medical crisis, the Fort Hood Fisher House is a "home away from home" for military personnel (both active and retired) and their families. The House has a warm, compassionate environment where families and caring friends can nurture one another in a time of need.

The Fisher House is on the corner of Santa Fe Drive and Wratten Drive, in the south parking lot of Darnall Army Community Hospital.

Zachary and Elizabeth Fisher of New York gave it as a gift to Fort Hood and Darnall Army Community Hospital. It is built on government land and is maintained by Darnall.

The purpose of the Fisher House is to give families a clean, safe, low-cost respite from the stress of worrying about loved ones.

Who can stay in the house?

- *Patient's family members, relatives and significant others
- *Active Duty, retirees, and veterans and their family members

What does the fisher house offer?

- *7 private rooms with private baths
- *Handicapped-accessible
- *Common kitchen and laundry room
- *Large family room for all guests
- *Community dining room
- *\$10 per night/per room

For what other reasons can individuals stay in the fisher house?

- *Scheduled for early-morning testing and live more than an hour from the hospital
- *Scheduled for same-day surgery
- *Scheduled for tests before surgery
- *Scheduled for a procedure or testing
- *Released from a hospital but not officially released from a doctor's care
- *Nursing mother whose baby is still hospitalized
- *Parents living off-post with a seriously ill child in the hospital
- *For other situations or circumstances, please call the Fisher House manager, **254-286-7927**

How do I contact the Fisher House?

The Fisher House manager is available Monday-Friday, from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. During after duty hours or on the weekends, please contact the AOD (Administrative Officer on Duty), **254-288-8000**, at the Information Desk in the main lobby of Darnall Army Community Hospital. The Fisher House is in the parking lot on the southeast side of Darnall.

Founders of the Fisher House

Born in Brooklyn, New York, Zachary Fisher began working in construction when he was 16. He and his brothers formed Fisher Brothers, today one of the building industry's leaders, contributing some of the most prestigious international corporate office buildings to the New York City skyline.

Zachary was America's most remarkable philanthropist. With his wife, he founded the Zachary and Elizabeth M. Fisher Armed Services Foundation, which is committed to the care and well being of military families in crisis.

Zachary Fisher died June 4, 1999.

Zachary & Elizabeth Fisher



Darnall Army Community Hospital

Darnall Army Community Hospital is part of the Fort Hood MEDDAC and is the focal point for inpatient and outpatient care for military personnel and their families living at Fort Hood and in the surrounding communities. Darnall offers complete medical care through the department of Defense's military health plan, TRICARE.

Darnall serves approximately 10 percent of the army bases in the continental United Stated, and one-sixth of the Army's children. It operates the largest Blood Bank Center in the Army. Other services include a Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Video Teleconference, Telemedicine, Teleradiology, Telepathology, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), and CAT scanner.

Band of Angels

While the Fisher Foundation provides the furnishings and household necessities for the Fisher House, there is still a need to raise funds to purchase consumable and comfort items for families staying in the home.

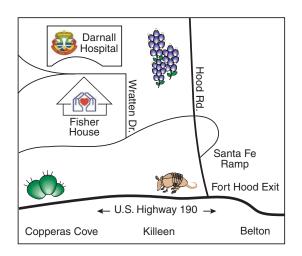
The Band of Angels is a nonprofit organization that raises funds and provides volunteers to conduct programs and activities for Fisher House occupants.

Contact Mr. Isaac Howard, the Fisher House manager, at **254-286-7927**, to volunteer for the Band of Angels.

About Fort Hood

Fort Hood is the Army's premier training, mobilization, and forces deployment installation. It is the only post in the United States capable of stationing and training two heavy divisions. It is home to the III Mobile Armored Corps, 1st Calvary Division, 4th Infantry Division, 13th Corps Support Command, and other major subordinate commands. Major tenate units include the U.S. Army Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC) and the Operational Test Command (OTC).

Fort Hood is in the 5th Army Area and is under the command of the U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM), Fort McPherson, Georgia.





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